



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Isolated precipitation was reported to have positively impacted crops and water supplies in portions of Colorado. However, the vast majority of soil moisture supplies remained very short to short. Warm temperatures pushed crop development and allowed producers of winter wheat to shift focus to harvesting activities. Statewide, on average, farmers were allowed 6.7 days in the field for operations.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

| | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
|-----------|------------|-------|----------|---------|
| This Week | 44 | 43 | 13 | 0 |
| Last Week | 40 | 41 | 19 | 0 |
| Last Year | 68 | 25 | 7 | 0 |

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

| | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
|-----------|------------|-------|----------|---------|
| This Week | 51 | 40 | 9 | 0 |
| Last Week | 43 | 41 | 16 | 0 |
| Last Year | 56 | 35 | 9 | 0 |

Small Grains: Seventy-nine percent of the state's winter wheat crop was turning color by week's end, up from 41 percent the previous week. Twenty-two percent of the crop was ripe while 7 percent has been harvested. Condition ratings for winter wheat declined last week with the majority rated very poor to poor. The barley crop developed to 61 percent headed, up 24 percentage points from last week. Sixty-seven percent of the spring wheat was headed, compared with 64 percent last year and the average of 51 percent.

Row Crops: Planting activities for the dry bean crop were virtually complete by week's end while 83 percent had emerged. Seventy-seven percent of the sunflower crop was planted, behind 94 percent last year and 94 percent on average. At 95 percent, sorghum planting activities were virtually complete. Sixty-six percent of the sorghum crop was emerged.

SMALL GRAIN AND ROW CROP CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 30, 2013

| | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|----------------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| Corn | | | | | |
| This Week | 12 | 10 | 34 | 38 | 6 |
| Last Year | 14 | 20 | 30 | 34 | 2 |
| Spring Barley | | | | | |
| This Week | 0 | 3 | 33 | 49 | 15 |
| Last Year | 0 | 3 | 41 | 54 | 2 |
| Spring Wheat | | | | | |
| This Week | 8 | 12 | 30 | 40 | 10 |
| Last Year | 1 | 9 | 46 | 44 | 0 |
| Winter Wheat | | | | | |
| This Week | 47 | 25 | 19 | 8 | 1 |
| Last Year | 10 | 24 | 41 | 24 | 1 |

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range conditions showed a decline from last week, with 71 percent rated very poor to poor. The week prior, 62 percent was rated very poor to poor. The current five-year average for very poor to poor is 36 percent. The first and second cuttings of alfalfa were 83 percent and 4 percent complete, respectively.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 30, 2013

| | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|----------------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| Pasture & Range-2013 | 43 | 28 | 19 | 10 | 0 |
| Prev. Year - 2012 | 38 | 38 | 21 | 3 | 0 |
| 5-Year Avg. | 16 | 20 | 26 | 31 | 7 |

Livestock: Reporters indicated livestock producers were culling cow herds as a result of pasture and feed shortages. Livestock condition ratings improved slightly from the previous week. Death losses remained at average levels for cattle and sheep. Overall, stored feed supplies remained rated as average for this time of year.

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Development Ratings for Week Ending June 30, 2013

| Item | This Week | Last Week | Last Year | 5-Yr Avg. |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Alfalfa | | | | |
| 1 st Cutting | 83 | 70 | 95 | 87 |
| 2 nd Cutting | 4 | 1 | 28 | 9 |
| Corn | | | | |
| Silked | 1 | - | 4 | 2 |
| Dry Beans | | | | |
| Planted | 99 | 88 | 98 | 94 |
| Emerged | 83 | 67 | 89 | 75 |
| Fall Potatoes | | | | |
| Emerged | 100 | 94 | 100 | 95 |
| Sorghum | | | | |
| Planted | 95 | 89 | 99 | 93 |
| Emerged | 66 | 43 | 70 | 65 |
| Headed | - | - | - | 2 |
| Spring Barley | | | | |
| Headed | 61 | 37 | 72 | 61 |
| Spring Wheat | | | | |
| Headed | 67 | 54 | 64 | 51 |
| Sunflowers | | | | |
| Planted | 77 | 62 | 94 | 94 |
| Winter Wheat | | | | |
| Headed | 99 | 92 | 100 | 100 |
| Turning Color | 79 | 41 | 100 | 83 |
| Ripe | 22 | N/A | 96 | 44 |
| Harvested | 7 | 2 | 81 | 25 |

- Represents zero.

N/A Not available.

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

| Item | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|------------------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| Alfalfa | 19 | 18 | 26 | 31 | 6 |
| Dry Beans | 0 | 1 | 63 | 35 | 1 |
| Dry Onions | 0 | 0 | 23 | 68 | 9 |
| Fall Potatoes | 0 | 2 | 41 | 44 | 13 |
| Livestock | 4 | 14 | 32 | 49 | 1 |
| Sorghum | 10 | 18 | 26 | 45 | 1 |
| Sugarbeets | 0 | 2 | 20 | 68 | 10 |
| Summer Potatoes | 0 | 8 | 72 | 18 | 2 |

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.